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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.825 INCLUDING
STATEMENTS UNDER 37 CFR § 1.821 and § 1.825

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Sir:

This paper is a Response to the Notification of Defective Response that was mailed December 3, 2002, together with a Raw Sequence Listing Error Report (copies of both are enclosed herewith), regarding the response to the Notice of Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. § 371 that was filed July 29, 2002 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US).

The Raw Sequence Listing Error Report was based upon the new electronic copy of the Sequence Listing that was filed with that response on July 29, 2002. The identical error report is generated by Checker on the copy of that electronic version of the sequence listing that we had retained for our files.

Enclosed herewith is a corrected copy of the Sequence Listing, in both paper and electronic copies. The paper copy has four pages, and is a page numbered version of the electronic copy enclosed herewith, formatted for A4 paper. Please substitute the present paper copy of the Sequence Listing into the specification. The present paper copy is substantively identical to that filed with the original patent application papers on November 8, 2001, and is thus already part of the Specification. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.825(a), it is hereby stated that no new matter is introduced via this amendment.

Furthermore, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(h), it is hereby stated that the enclosed submission does not include matter which goes beyond the disclosure in the international application as filed.

Please substitute the enclosed computer-readable form of the Sequence Listing into the patent file, as required by 37 U.S.C. § 1.821(e). The file on the CRF is ASCII output from PatentIn version 2.1, created 03/02/2001 in PatentIn version 2.1 on a Windows 95/PC compatible computer, and modified on 12/17/2002. The Sequence Listing file, "10-009980.txt" was copied onto the enclosed diskette 12/17/2002.

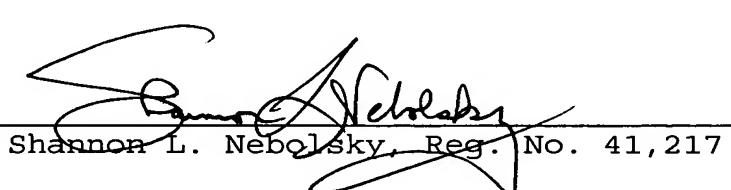
Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(f), it is hereby stated that the sequence listing information recorded in computer readable form is identical to the written (on paper) Sequence Listing.

Because the Biological Sequences are going to a different mailing address, the executed Declaration, making up the remainder of the missing requirements, is being provided on this date under separate cover.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosures

Transmittal Letter
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Copy of the Notification of Defective Response
Copy of the Raw Sequence Listing Error Report
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I hereby certify that this Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.825 including Statements under 37 C.F.R. § 1.821 and § 1.825, together with a Computer readable disk, Transmittal Letter and its stated enclosures, are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as Express Mail Label No. EV 045460789 US, postage prepaid, in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Box SEQUENCE, P.O. Box 2327, Arlington, VA 22202 on December 17, 2002.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Benito", is written over a horizontal line. A small circle is drawn around the first letter 'D'.